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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the calculation of fees and examination of the above-identified reissue application being transmitted herewith, please amend U.S. Patent No. 5,881,587 (the '587 patent) without prejudice or disclaimer, as follows

In the Abstract:

Please replace the paragraph of the abstract with the following:

A device for locking [the] a brake pedal and brake pedal shaft of a vehicle, [and preventing its theft comprising:] which includes a base member for a placement on [the] a floorboard of [a] the vehicle beneath [a] the brake pedal[;] and break pedal shaft. [a] A U-shaped housing [extending] extends downward and [having] has a first arm attached to the base and [having] a second shorter arm defining [a gap] an opening for receipt of [a] the brake pedal shaft[,]. [said space] The opening between the first and second arms [defining] defines a slot for receiving the brake pedal shaft and [permitting its] permits